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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 951

By Kernell

A RESOLUTION to commend Steven R. Collier for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Steven R. Collier is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for the Government Operations Committee; Steve's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Steve has worked diligently to organize and maintain the consideration of bills in the House Government Operations Committee; and

WHEREAS, he has proved to be an invaluable assistant to the Chairman Mike Kernell of the House Government Operations Committee, keeping him informed on pending bills, of persons and organizations interested in such bills and of the impact of such bills on the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, his calm demeanor and implacable visage endeared him to the members of the legislative office to which he was assigned; and

WHEREAS, his erudite research into such matters as Native American rights, enforcement of seat belt laws, and landlord and tenant laws have elevated him to the esteemed position of Intern Emeritus and Quasi-Lawyer; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Steve Collier served the Government Operations Committee as the Keeper of All Questions and Answers, the Chief in charge of putting bills on notice and as the Pinch Hitter for the Calendar-making program; and

WHEREAS, Steven R. Collier also served as the token Republican in Representative Kernell's office; and

WHEREAS, a student at Lee University, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Steven has achieved academic success while majoring in History and Political Science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, he possesses a keen interest in politics and aspires to be a Foreign Service Officer; and

WHEREAS, he is the loving son of proud parents, Hershel and Virginia Collier; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Steven Collier brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2002 session of the One Hundred Second General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2002 legislative session, Steven Collier has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, he has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Steven R. Collier for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the Government Operations Committee and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.